

List of legendary creatures from China

The following is a list of legendary creatures recorded from Chinese mythology (中國神話动物清单).

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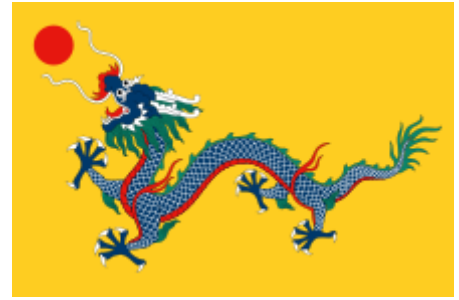
Baihu

A

- Ao, a mythological tortoise.
- Ao Guang, the Dragon King of the East Sea.
- Azure Dragon, a dragon that represents the cardinal point East and Spring.

B

- Bai Ze, a cow like monster.
- Baihu
- Baku (mythology), a tapir-like creature that lives by eating people's dreams.
- Bashe, a python-like snake that ate elephants.
- Bixi, a dragon with the shell of a turtle.
- Birds in Chinese mythology
- Black Tortoise, a turtle that represents the cardinal point North and Winter.
- Botan Doro
- Bovidae in Chinese mythology



The Azure Dragon is depicted on the flag of the Qing Dynasty.

C

- Chi (mythology), a hornless dragon.
- Chinese guardian lions, traditional architectural ornaments.
- Chinese dragon,
- Chituma, steed of General Lü Bu.
- Chiwen, a dragon that protects fires, floods, and typhoons.
- Crane in Chinese mythology



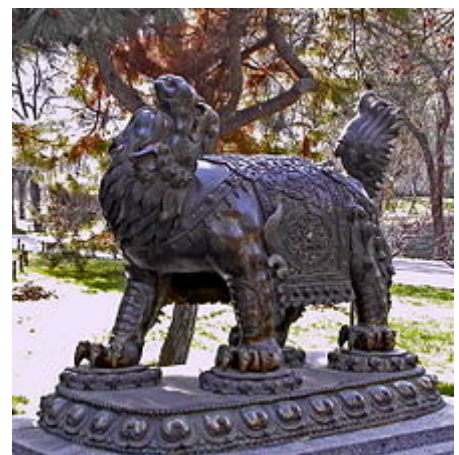
The Black Tortoise



Guardian lions in Beijing

D

- Denglong, a mythical creature that acts as messenger between heaven and earth.
- Dilong
- Dog in Chinese mythology
- Dragon (zodiac)
- Dragon King
- Dragon dance, traditional dance involving the structure of a dragon.
- Dragon turtle, mythical creature with head of a dragon and body of a tortoise which symbolises courage, power, and success.



A Denglong

F

- Feng (mythology), an edible monster that resembles a two-eyed lump of meat and magically grows back as fast as it is eaten.
- Fenghuang, Chinese Phoenix
- Feilian, god of the wind who is a winged dragon with the head of a deer and tail of a snake.
- Feilong, winged legendary creature that flies among clouds.

- Fish in Chinese mythology
- Four Perils
- Four Symbols, four legendary animals that represent the points of the compass.
- Fox spirit, a famous mythological creature with nine tails, known as the Kumiho in Korea and Kitsune in Japan.
- Fuzhu, a Chinese deer with four horns, possessing a gentle countenance, a likeness to be clean, and usually appears during periods of flood.
- Fuzanglong, the dragon of hidden treasures.



Fenghuang

H

- Huodou, a huge black dog that emits fire from its mouth.
- Huli jing, see Fox Spirit.
- Hungry ghost
- Hong (rainbow-dragon), two headed rainbow serpent.

J

- Jiangshi, a hopping zombie.
- Jiaolong, a hornless scaled dragon.
- Jin Chan, a prosperity toad.
- Jingwei, a bird who is determined to fill up the sea.
- Jiufeng, an earlier version of the Fenghuang.
- Jinnalaluo, divine creatures with human bodies and animal heads.
- Jueyuan (mythology), creatures that look similar to monkeys.



A Huli jing

K

- Kalaviṅka, creatures with a human head and a bird's torso, with long flowing tail.
- Kui (Chinese mythology)

L

- Lake Tianchi Monster
- Linggui, a spirit turtle, chief of all shelled creatures.
- Longma, a winged horse with dragon scales.
- Longmu
- Luan (mythology), a bird which carries a shield and tramples on snakes while wearing one on its breast.
- Ludian, a deer with green coat, horse tail, and one horn which can travel 18,000 *li* in a single day and speaks all world languages.
- Lushu, a white headed horse with markings on its body like a tiger, a red tail, and a neigh like people singing folk songs.

M

- Mo (Chinese zoology)
- Mogwai (Chinese culture), evil spirits who reproduces during mating seasons triggered by the coming of rain.
- Moon rabbit, a mythical figure who is a companion of Chang'E and pounds the Elixir of Life constantly for her.

N

- Nian, a beast related to the Chinese New Year.
- Nine-headed Bird, see Jiufeng and Fenghuang.
- Nine sons of the Dragon

O

- Ox-Head and Horse-Face, two guardians of the underworld.

P

- Panhu, a dog who transformed into a man.
- Panlong (mythology), an aquatic dragon.
- Peng (mythology), a mystical giant bird of the ocean.
- Penghou, a tree spirit.
- Pixiu, strong winged lions that protect Fengshui practitioners.
- Pig dragon
- Pulao (dragon)

Q

- Qilin, a hooved dragon-like creature with antlers and the body of an ox, deer, or horse.
- Qianlima, a winged horse that can run a thousand miles at a step.
- Qingniao, messenger birds of the Queen Mother of the West.
- Qiongqi, a winged tiger, one of the Four Perils.
- Qiulong



Qilin at Qingyang Palace

R

- Ruishi, Chinese guardian lions.

S

- Shen (clam-monster)
- Shenlong, a dragon who is the master of storms and also a bringer of rain.
- Shennong

- Shōjō
- Sky Fox (mythology), a golden Hulijing that has reached 1000 years of age.

T

- Taotie, a fiendish creature known for its greediness.
- Tenghuang, a fox with horns on its back or a horse-like creature.
- Teng (mythology), a flying dragon.
- Three-legged crow
- Three Corpses
- Tiangou, a dog which eats the moon, resulting in an eclipse.
- Tianma, a heavenly horse.
- Tianlong
- Tiger in Chinese culture



Qilins and Elephants at a Spirit Way



Ming Dynasty era stone lion

W

- Wangliang
- White Tiger (mythology), a white tiger which symbolises the direction West and the season autumn.
- Winged unicorn



Three legged crow in a Mural from the Han Dynasty

X

- Xiangliu, venomous nine-headed snake monster that brings floods and destruction.
- Xiao (mythology), name for multiple types of mythical creatures.
- Xiaotianquan, a mythological dog.
- Xiezhi, a creature which symbolises justice.
- Xingtian



Statue of a heavenly horse (Tianma)

Y

- Yaoguai
- Yinglong
- Yeren

Z

- Zhenniao, a legendary bird with poisonous feathers.
- Zhulong (mythology), a giant red solar dragon and god.
- Zhuque, a Vermilion Bird, one of the Four Symbols of the Chinese constellations.

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